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In re the Application of

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For: METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING MASK BLANK, METHOD FOR
MANUFACTURING TRANSFER MASK, SPUTTERING TARGET FOR
MANUFACTURING MASK BLANK

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.56, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to Reference 1 of the PTO Form 1449 filed concurrently with the Information Disclosure Statement on November 14. It is respectfully requested that the reference be expressly considered in view of the attached English-language translation of a Korean Office Action, which provides a further concise explanation of potential relevance of the reference. JP 2001-303243, also cited in the Office Action, was disclosed to the Patent and Trademark Office in and Information Disclosure Statement filed on March 10, 2005.



1. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed (a) within three months of the U.S. filing date of this non-CPA application, OR (b) before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits in the present application. No certification or fee is required.

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